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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES -1975-76 U.S. LECTURER PROGRAM

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1. POST WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING CABLE REPORT ON PRESENT STATUS CIES EFFORTS LOCATE NOMINEES FOR 1975-76 FULBRIGHT LECTURER PROGRAM IN ROMANIA IN VIEW CONSIDERATIONS PARA. FOUR AND FIVE REFTEL.

2. IN MEETING WITH THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION JANUARY 13, EMBASSY REQUESTED MINISTRY TO PROVIDE INVITATIONS FOR 1975-76 AMERICAN LECTURERS HERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE REQUESTED THAT THESE INVITATIONS BE BASED ON PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE I, SECTION 5 (A) (D) OF 1975-76 PROGRAM OF EXCHANGES, SPECIFY QUALIFICATIONS OF U.S. PROFESSORS, AND INCLUDE FULL DESCRIPTION OF COURSE/COURSES WHICH NOMINEE WILL BE EXPECTED TO TEACH. TO OBTAIN THIS INFORMATION (SINCE THIS REPRESENTS NEW AND QUALITATIVELY DIFFERENT APPROACH TO U.S. LECTURER PROGRAM HERE FROM PAST ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE) EMBASSY WILL REQUIRE FURTHER MEETING WITH MINISTRY OFFICIALS "TO SUGGEST" INVITATIONS WHICH MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE AND TO WHICH, GIVEN TIME FACTOR, U.S. SIDE COULD REALISTICALLY RESPOND FOR COMING ACADEMIC YEAR.

3. WE NEED, THEREFORE, INFORMATION REQUESTED PARA. ONE ABOVE. IN ADDITION, CIES SHOULD KNOW THAT POST HAS SURVEYED PRESENT LECTURER GROUP REGARDING THEIR PREFERENCES FOR RENEWAL WITH FOLLOW-
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ING RESULTS: A) LINDA REICHMAN (BUCHAREST POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE)

REQUESTS RENEWAL FOR 1975-76 ACADEMIC YEAR AND POST SUPPORTS HER REQUEST; B) DAVID HODGDON (UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA) REQUESTS RENEWAL FOR ADDITIONAL YEAR AND POST SUPPORTS HIS REQUEST. HODGDON MAY REQUIRE SHIFT, HOWEVER, TO ANOTHER UNIVERSITY SINCE TIMISOARA HOUSING INADEQUATE FOR SMALL CHILD AND UNIVERSITY THERE UNABLE PROVIDE ALTERNATE ACCOMMODATIONS. MEANWHILE, HODGDON REQUESTS CIES CONTACT PROFESSOR DANIEL HORGAN, VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, SIENA COLLEGE (TEL. 518-783-2300) TO DETERMINE IF UNIVERSITY WILLING EXTEND ADDITIONAL LWP TO HODGDON TO ENABLE HIM TO REMAIN IN ROMANIA FOR 1975-76 YEAR. PLEASE ADVISE. C) THOMAS KRAL (UNIVERSITY OF CLUJ) IS ALSO CONSIDERING EXTENSION REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL YEAR. POST WILL CONCUR IF KRAL AGREES TO MOVE TO UNIVERSITY OF BRASOV TO BEGIN TESL PROGRAM THERE UNDER I (5) D OF PROGRAM OF EXCHANGES. WILL ADVISE.

4. AS OF THIS MOMENT, EMBASSY EXPECTS MINISTRY WILL AGREE TO INVITE AMERICANS FOR FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

A) LITERATURE BUCHAREST

B) LITERATURE CLUJ

C) LITERATURE TIMISOARA

D) LANGUAGE BUCHAREST

E) LANGUAGE CLUJ

F) LANGUAGE BUCHAREST POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE (REICHMAN).

TWO ADDITIONAL POSITIONS REMAIN TO BE DETERMINED BY MINISTRY IN CONSULTATION WITH EMBASSY AND DEPARTMENT/CIES. (IASI POSITION UNCERTAIN AT PRESENT ALTHOUGH EMBASSY WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PLACE U.S. LECTURER THERE.) IN ADDITION, EMBASSY HOPEFUL CIES ABLE TO PROVIDE THREE TESL SPECIALISTS WHO WOULD BE PLACED AS POSSIBLE AT LOCATIONS SUCH AS SIBIU, BRASOV, BUCHAREST (UNIVERSITY INTENSIVE PROGRAM), CLUJ, GALATI. PLACEMENT WILL BE MADE BY MINISTRY IN CONSULTATION WITH EMBASSY. ALL U.S. NOMINATIONS SHOULD BE MADE WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT EMBASSY WILL EXERCISE OPTION TO RECOMMEND FINAL

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PLACEMENT FOR NOMINEES DEPENDING ON PROFESSIONAL SPECIALITY AND FAMILY SIZE. FYI- POST WOULD WELCOME NOMINATIONS IN OTHER FILEDS FOR BOTH ONE SEMESTER AND FULL YEAR. END FYI.

5. APPRECIATE INFORMATION IN PARA. ONE SOONEST TO ALLOW FOR CONSULTATION WITH MINED HERE AND PROVISION OF FINAL ROMANIAN INVITATIONS TO CIES AT AN EARLY DATE. (BOVIOUSLY, 1975-76 WILL REQUIRE DUAL APPROACH TO PLACEMENT IN THAT WE NEED TO ENCOURAGE

ROMANIAN ACCEPTANCE OF U.S. NOMINEES ALREADY SELECTED ACCORDING TO
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE U.S. PARTICIPANTS FOR NEW INVITATIONS WHICH
MINISTRY MAY DEVELOP. IN FUTURE, WE WOULD EXPECT TO RECEIVE BOTH
U.S. AND ROMANIAN INVITATIONS AT LEAST ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE OF
BEGINNING OF ACADEMIC TERM.)
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